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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE - KANG NING-HSIANG

1. KANG NING-HSIANG LEGISLATIVE YUAN MEMBER, VISITING US IN SEPTEMBER, REQUESTS FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE. KANG, 38, VISITED THE US IN 1970 AS TAIPEI CITY COUNCILMAN ON HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL IV GRANT. ELECTED TO LEGISLATIVE YUAN AS AN INDEPENDENT IN 1972, KANG IS A THORN IN THE SIDE OF THE KMT. HE IS ONE OF THE MOST PROMINENT, MOST ACTIVE AND MOST AMBITIOUS TAIWANESE POLITICIANS. FULL DETAILS ON CAREER AND THINKING AVAILABLE IN EA/ROC AND INR. KANG WAS ONLY LOCAL POLITICIAN TO MAKE TIME'S JULY 15, 1974, LIST OF "YOUNG WORLD LEADERS." ALTHOUGH SYMPATHETIC TO THE CAUSE OF TAIWANESE INDEPENDENCE. KANG HAS STATED REPEATEDLY HE BELIEVES IN PEACEFUL CHANGE AND WORKING THROUGH ELECTIONS.

2. KANG SEEKING APPOINTMENTS WITH KEY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, JOURNALISTS AND ACADEMICS TO DISCUSS RECENT CHANGES IN US GOVERNMENT AND WHAT EFFECT, IF ANY, THESE CHANGES MAY EXERT ON US CHINA POLICY. HE SHOULD BE HANDLED WITH CARE AND SOPHISTICATION. CU SHOULD FULLY COORDINATE WITH EA/ROC.

3. KANG PLANS VISIT BOSTON SEPT 25-28, NEW YORK SEPT 28-OCT 8, WASHINGTON OCT 8-15. PLANS DEPART TAIWAN SEPT 5 SO APPRECIATE REPLY SOONEST. UNGER

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